

Near Jacksonville, Fla.
Oct. 2, 1828.

Prof. A. Gray:

Dear Sir - I am in receipt of your favors of Sept. 25th & 27th, one enclosing a note from Mr. Thurber, & the other a postal order for a set of my plants sold to Sir J. D. Hooker, to whom I have sent newly printed labels for those wrongly labeled -

In Fasc. II. I intend to insert in the proper places such labels & specimens as are needful to perfect the first - I hope to obtain from some Southern collectors material for the completion of my 2^d set., otherwise it will consist of but 200 sps. Since spring there has scarcely been a day when it did not rain or threaten rain - so it has hardly been possible for me to travel much - At present Florida is

blooded & only fit for an amphibious
race. Yesterday I went out collecting -
tried for a while to keep my feet dry
but gave up the idea & went to
wading. The weather now looks more
promising & I hope next week to visit
Peperomia Island. The high water ought
to enable me to penetrate the environing
marshes at low tide. Whenever I get
a blue-lined letter from you, which I hope
will be very, very often, I will send you
a receipt - uniform with the one on
opposite page - "Paspalum obtusifolium,
Ruddi" I read in Thurber's letter: if that
is not the authority please correct me. Chapman
called it "P. tristachyum" & probably it is the grass
so called in his Addenda in the Gazette.
I begin to lose all confidence in Chapman's
determinations. You said nothing about
the Setaria I sent you, & therefore
shall hold to my name, S. corrugata -
I sent two collections of it - to Chapman; the
first he called S. corrugata & the 2^d S. glauca!
Who of all decide when a doctor disagrees
with himself. Several of the new names in
the Gazette are entirely different from those he
before gave me for the same plants!
I am
in haste
A. H. Curtis

Recd of Prof. A. Gray payment
for sets of my N. American
Plants, Part I., sold to
Wellesley Female College,
M. Boissier, of Geneva, &
Sir J. D. Hooker, of Kew, Eng.
being three of ten sets deposited
with him April 1, 1878.
A. H. Curtis -

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